

DENTAL MATERIAL FACT SHEET

INSTRUCTIONS

On May 14, 2004, the Board updated the Dental Materials Fact Sheet. Business & Professions Code section 1648.15, requires the following:

- ✓ The dentist must provide this updated fact sheet to every new patient and to patients of record before performing dental restoration work. The dentist needs to provide the fact sheet to each patient only once.
- ✓ The patient must sign an acknowledgment of receipt of the fact sheet and a copy of the acknowledgment must be placed in the patient's dental record.
- ✓ If the Board updates the fact sheet, the updated fact sheet must be given to patients in this same way.
- ✓ The dentist must also provide the fact sheet to the patient upon request.

This requirement shall not apply to any surgical, endodontic, periodontic, or orthodontic dental procedure in which dental restorative materials are not used.

The dentist is responsible for copying the fact sheet for distribution.

The updated fact sheet is currently available only in English. However, a Spanish version is expected soon.

Suggested wording for "Patient Release Form":

"I have received a copy of the Dental Materials Fact Sheet as required by law"

Provide a line on the bottom of the label for signature and date. OR, you may have a stamp made with appropriate wording, stamp the patient record and obtain a signature and date.

The fact sheet may also be downloaded from the Dental Board of California's website: <http://www.dbc.ca.gov> under the heading "News and Information"